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SUBJECT: US PROFESSOR PROGRAM, 1976/77 - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. DEPT AGREED TO PROVIDE, ON EXPERIMENTAL BASIS, ONE TRAVEL GRANT FOR A JUNIOR TEFL LECTURER UNDER THE 1976/77 PROGRAM. FOR THIS AWARD, CIES NOMINATES MICHELE ANCIAUX, GRADUATE STUDENT UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, SEATTLE. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT AFFILIATION FOR ANCIAUX BE SOUGHT WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR INTENSIVE ENGLISH, BUCHAREST OR WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF BUCHAREST ITSELF. DETAILED INFO AND BIODATA ENROUTE.

2. THE INSTITUTE IS SUGGESTED AS FIRST POSSIBILITY FOR AFFILIATION BECAUSE JAMES AUGEROT, FORMER FULBRIGHT-HAYS GRANTEE AND CURRENTLY ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SLAVIC, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, HAS MAINTAINED COMMUNICATION WITH COLLEAGUES IN ROMANIA, AND DISCUSSED WITH INSTITUTE DIRECTORS POSSIBILITY OF DEVELOPING PROGRAM UNDER WHICH STUDENTS FROM WASHINGTON WHO HAVE JUST COMPLETED DEGREES IN TEFL WOULD TEACH AT THE INSTITUTE FOR AN ACADEMIC YEAR AT LOCAL SALARIES. AUGEROT BELIEVES SUCH PLAN WOULD NOT ONLY ASSIST ROMANIAN INSTITUTIONS IN THEIR ENGLISH PROGRAMS

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BUT ALSO BE BENEFICIAL FOR NEW TEFL TEACHERS. AUGEROT'S

DISCUSSIONS WITH BUCHAREST COLLEAGUES WERE PRELIMINARY, I.E., NO SPECIFIC PLANS TO IMPLEMENT THIS KIND OF PROGRAM WERE DEVELOPED BUT HE FEELS THAT THE INSTITUTE WOULD WELCOME A TEACHER OF MISS ANCIAUX'S QUALIFICATIONS.

3. IT IS REALIZED THAT ESPECIALLY SINCE THE INSTITUTE HAS NOT HAD VISITING LECTURERS UNDER FULBRIGHT PROGRAM IN PAST IT MAY NOT BE ABLE ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY LEI SALARY AND HOUSING. IF THE INSTITUTE CANNOT ACCEPT ANCIAUX IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF BUCHAREST BE APPROACHED, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF DEAN CHITORAN'S NEED FOR TEFL LECTURER AS EXPRESSED DURING JELAVICH'S RECENT VISIT. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT ROMANIAN HOST INSTITUTION BE REQUESTED PROVIDE SAME LEVEL OF SALARY AS IT DOES FOR OTHER LECTURERS UNDER FULBRIGHT PROGRAM (HOUSING WITHOUT COST AND 4500 LEI PER MONTH).

4. DEPT SHALL APPRECIATE EARLY REPLY. ANCIAUX IS PARTICIPATING IN BULGARIAN SUMMER LANGUAGE COURSE IN SOFIA AND HOPES DECISION CAN BE REACHED BY COMPLETION DATE OF COURSE. EMBASSY REQUESTED INFO SOFIA WHEN RESPONDING.

5. FYI - AS PREVIOUSLY STATED ABOVE, DEPT ONLY AGREED TO PROVIDE TRAVEL GRANT ALTHOUGH CIES HAS RECOMMENDED DOLLAR STIPEND. KISSINGER

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